

# Meet our National Admission Liaisons



Our team is here to help you move your TBI, SCI and major multiple trauma patients to the next proper level of care as soon as clinically suitable. We can review each case to help determine appropriateness for admission.

## **Kimberly Roberts, RN, BSN, CCM** Director Market Development

Kim joined Shirley Ryan AbilityLab in 2021. She is a Registered Nurse with an established career in caring for catastrophically injured patients in the workers compensation setting. She has specialized training in the Neuro & Trauma ICU, Emergency Medicine and Legal Nurse Consulting. She is a certified case manager and received her Bachelor of Nursing from Maryville University in St. Louis, Missouri.

Kim lives in the St. Louis area with her husband and children. Her outside interests include boating, hiking, bicycling and physical fitness.



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## **Nikki Sedam, MS OTR/L** Admission Liaison

Nikki joined the team in 2007, where she began her career and spent 13 years building and refining her expertise as an occupational therapist (OT). She has held several roles within the organization, ranging from staff OT and program specialist to clinical manager of the neurorehabilitation unit.

Nikki thrives on building relationships and makes it her mission to help each patient and family access the best possible care.

Nikki lives in Michigan with her husband and two children.



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## **Michelle Werner, MS OTR/L** Admission Liaison

Michelle joined the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab team in September 2010 as an occupational therapist. Michelle earned her Bachelor of Psychology degree from Purdue University, and Master of Occupational Therapy degree from the University Illinois at Chicago. Michelle brings her clinical rehabilitation experience to working with patients and families during the admission process. She delights in helping patients and families calm any fears they may have in making the transition to rehabilitation.

Michelle lives in Indiana with her husband and enjoys spending time with family and friends.



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## **Will Robinson, MSPT, DPT** Director of Market Development

Will joined the team in 2021. He began his career as a physical therapist at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center in the Los Angeles, CA. area. He transitioned into a leadership role in inpatient rehabilitation at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and progressed there through other rehabilitation-focused operational leadership positions. In 2011, he moved to Seattle, WA., and continued in leadership roles, first with Swedish Medical Center, and then, at Seattle Children's Hospital, where he served as Service Line Director of Rehabilitation and Rehabilitation Medicine.

Will lives in Washington state with his wife and two children.



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**Kate DeMarco, MS, CCC-SLP**  
Admission Liaison

Kate joined Shirley Ryan AbilityLab (formerly Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago) in 2006. She began her career with us as a speech-language pathologist on the pediatric unit, where she specialized in pediatric dysphagia, burn recovery and ventilator liberation. She has served the organization in many roles, including as program specialist and clinical manager of the inpatient and outpatient pediatric programs.

Kate is committed to making sure patients — particularly our youngest patients — have access to world-class care.

Kate lives with her family in Nashville, TN. She enjoys exploring new places and DIY projects.



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**Kerin Meyer, RN, MSN**  
Manager, Market Development

Kerin joined the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab team in 2015. Kerin has a master's degree in clinical exercise physiology and a MSN from Rush University. She enjoys teaching patients and families about her passionate belief in the value of ABILITY science. Kerin has worked in many different healthcare environments over the past 15 years — from skilled nursing facilities and an acute-care hospital to a hospice facility. Over the past years, she has found her experiences since arriving at Shirley Ryan AbilityLab have been the most compelling of her career.

Kerin lives in the Chicagoland area with her husband and two children.



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Our team can help you with:

- Air transportation
- Housing
- Bedside visit
- Financial clearance
- Patient/family decision making

Please contact one of our team members for any admitting questions.

